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U.S. Senators Johnny Isakson and David Perdue of Georgia Endorse Spaceport Camden

WOODBINE, GEORGIA – April 23, 2018 – In a joint letter to Acting FAA Administrator, Dan Elwell, United States Senators Johnny Isakson and David Perdue offered their support for Spaceport Camden. In their letter the Senators stated, "[Spaceport Camden] is important to the economic future of coastal Georgia and represents an excellent opportunity to augment America's space launch capability," and go on to note that "Spaceport Camden will advance a key tenet of the National Space Strategy by providing additional launch capacity for the commercial launch industry."

The support of Senators Isakson and Perdue comes at a particularly important time for Camden County as the FAA receives comment on the draft Environmental Impact Statement for Spaceport Camden and county officials prepare to file their formal application for a Launch Site Operator's License. County Administrator and Spaceport Camden Project Lead, Steve Howard stated, "elected officials at every level of government in Georgia have signaled their support for Spaceport Camden, but the addition of our two Senators is particularly important. The Trump Administration, the National Space Council, and Congress are working to modernize our commercial space regulations and that effort includes providing more launch capacity in the United States and streamlining the application process to maintain our lead in the commercial space race."

The Senators echoed these sentiments, noting Spaceport Camden "allows orbital launches to take advantage of Earth's rotational velocity and avoid overflight of politically sensitive areas," and encouraged FAA "to avoid any unnecessary procedural delays" in evaluating Camden County's application.

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To learn more about the Spaceport Camden Draft EIS, visit the FAA at: https://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/headquarters_offices/ast/environmental/nepa_doc s/review/documents progress/camden spaceport/. Comments on the Spaceport Camden Draft EIS are due June 14, 2018, and may be sent faacamdenspaceporteis@leidos.com. Camden County officials anticipate submitting their formal application for a Launch Site operator's license in 2018.

<u>More about Spaceport Camden</u>: Our Vision is to develop a successful world class spaceport through a public-private partnership that establishes Camden County as the Commercial Space Center of the United States. Our Mission is to create the premier spaceport strategically positioned to provide economic diversity with a competitive advantage for the space sector, Camden County, the State of Georgia and the United States of America. For more information, please view our website at www.SpaceportCamden.us.

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